

FISCAL NOTE

SB 182 - HB 371

March 22, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires truck tractors and semi-trailers to travel in the right most lane of interstate or multi-lane divided highways except when passing. Specifies that violation is a Class C misdemeanor punishable only by a fine of \$50.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures - Less than \$100,000 One-Time / Highway Fund

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- an increase in expenditures to the Highway Fund for signs indicating, "Trucks Use Right Lane."
- there are approximately 1,073 miles of interstate affected by these provisions.
- a sign will be placed every 20 miles for a total of 54 signs at \$840 each.
- a similar number of signs would be needed for multi-lane divided highways.
- impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense increased revenues to the state from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.
- the state would receive these fines in accordance with T.C.A. 55-10-303. Court clerks receive a 5% commission.

NOTE: The Department of Transportation indicates that at least 922 signs at \$840 per sign are needed to enforce the requirements of this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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